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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Andrew EISEN

Serial No.: 10/031,893

Art Unit : TBA

Confirmation No.: 8212

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Examiner: TBA

For: **DROSOPHILA RECOMBINATION-ASSOCIATED PROTEIN AND METHODS FOR USE**

July 19, 2002

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS

✓ Please cancel claims 1-7 without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims substantially similar to claims 1-7 have been allowed in co-pending U.S. application serial number 09/621,377. By this Amendment, claims 8-19 are pending in the application.